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## KC MAN, WOMAN SENTENCED FOR CRACK COCAINE CONSPIRACY

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man and woman were sentenced in federal court today for participating in a conspiracy to distribute crack cocaine.

**Juan R. Bibbs**, 30, of Kansas City, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Howard F. Sachs this afternoon to 15 years and eight months in federal prison without parole. **Kalise S. White**, 22, of Kansas City, was sentenced this morning to 10 years in federal prison without parole. The court also ordered **Bibbs** and **White** to forfeit to the government \$4,017 seized during the execution of a search warrant at their apartment.

On Oct. 14, 2004, **Bibbs** pleaded guilty to participating in a conspiracy to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine. **Bibbs** also pleaded guilty to aiding and abetting the possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine and to distribution of crack cocaine.

On Oct. 1, 2004, **White** was convicted by a federal jury for her role in the crack cocaine conspiracy. **White** was also found guilty of aiding and abetting the possession with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine and maintaining a residence for the purpose of manufacturing, distributing and using crack cocaine. **White** was involved in undercover operations in September and October 2003 in which a confidential informant purchased crack cocaine, Graves said. At the time of her arrest, law enforcement officers found crack cocaine in her residence.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Bruce Rhoades. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

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